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SUBJ: DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR USADB

REF: STATE 122662

1. ADB DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S HOUSE HAD BEEN UNDER LEASE AT PESOS 2500 PER MONTH UNTIL JANUARY 31 OF THIS YEAR. LANDLORD THEN ASKED PESOS 4500 FOR INTERMEDIATE TERM RENEWAL, BUT SINCE THIS FAR EXCEEDED EMBASSY HOUSING BOARD'S MAXIMUM CEILING AT THAT TIME FOR RENTALS FOR QUARTERS GROUP 2 OFFICERS OF PESOS 3000 PER MONTH, EMBASSY NEGOTIATED FOUR MONTH EXTENSION ONLY AT PESOS 4000 PER MONTH TO COVER BALANCE OF PAIK'S TOUR.

2. HOUSING BOARD RECENTLY REVIEWED RENTAL RATES AND INCREASED MAXIMUM MONTHLY RENTAL FOR HIGH RANKING OFFICERS TO PESOS 3500. HOWEVER, LANDLORD OF HOUSE IN QUESTION UNWILLING TO ACCEPT LESS THAN PESOS 4000, AND THIS FOR ONE YEAR ONLY. TO ACCEDE TO THIS RATE WOULD ESTABLISH PRECEDENT FOR DEMANDS BY OTHER OFFICERS FOR SIMILAR CONSIDERATION AND WOULD MAKE MORE DIFFICULT HOUSING BOARD'S ENDEAVOR TO LIMIT SPIRALING RENTAL COSTS.

3. EMBASSY BELIEVES CAN FIND SUITABLE HOUSE FOR PAPP WITHIN CURRENT MAXIMUM LIMITATION, AND PROCEEDING ON THAT BASIS TO SHOW ALTERNATIVE HOUSES TO ADB.  
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